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Proposed S.B. No. 266 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENSE FOR UNPAID OUT-OF-STATE TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS IN A STATE WITH A RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT WITH CONNECTICUT.

Senator Maynard, Representative Guerrero, Senator Boucher, Representative Scribner and other members of the Transportation Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony regarding SB 266, AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENSE FOR UNPAID OUT-OF-STATE TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS IN A STATE WITH A RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT WITH CONNECTICUT.

The Department of Motor Vehicles currently does not suspend a Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license if the operator resolves any and all traffic violations issued by another state that participates in the Non-resident Violator Compact (NRVC) prior to the effective date of suspension in Connecticut.

For example, if a Connecticut driver does not address a citation in another state (that is part of the NRVC), the other state notifies the Connecticut DMV of the unresolved ticket(s) for the purpose of having Connecticut suspend the offender's operating privileges. Connecticut DMV then mails the Connecticut driver a suspension notice stating that the person has to resolve the other state's outstanding traffic violations or the person's operating privileges will be suspended by a certain date. If the driver resolves the outstanding traffic violations before the effective date of the Connecticut license suspension, then the proposed suspension is rescinded and no fee is charged.

If the outstanding tickets from the other state are not addressed by the proposed suspension date, then the Connecticut DMV suspends the person's operating privileges. If the outstanding traffic violations are resolved on or after the suspension date, then the license restoration fee is required.

I hope this clarifies the existing process and how the Connecticut DMV administers driver license suspensions under the NRVC for those Connecticut drivers who receive traffic citations in other NRVC participating states.

Thank you again for allowing me to testify on SB 266. I would be happy to answer any questions.